

**SELECTBOARD AND BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM
1 AVENUE A, TURNERS FALLS, MA
MONDAY, September 21, 2020**

Remote Zoom Meeting was opened at 6:30 PM. Present were Selectpersons Rich Kuklewicz, Michael Nelson, and Chris Boutwell, Town Administrator Steven Ellis, Executive Assistant Wendy Bogusz, Board of Health Chair Al Cummings, Director of Public Health Daniel Wasiuk, DPW Superintendent Tom Bergeron, Police Chief Chris Williams, Fire Chief John Zellman, and FCRHRA Director of Community Development Brian McHugh.

Link to Zoom Meeting: <https://vimeo.com/460622844>

Selectboard Chair opens the meeting, including announcing that the meeting is being recorded and roll call taken.

Board of Health Chair opens the meeting roll call taken.

Approve Minutes

Joint Selectboard and Board of Health, September 14, 2020

Postponed until next week

Public Comment Period: Individuals will be limited to two (2) minutes each and the Board of Selectmen will strictly adhere to time allotted for public comment

None

Liquor License Hearing

Pioneer Valley Brewery, LLC dba Pioneer Valley Brewery, Christopher Fontaine as Manager has applied for a §12 General On-Premises, Farmers Series Pouring Permit (Malt Beverages Only) License, 151 Third Street, Turners Falls

Boutwell makes the motion to approve the request by Pioneer Valley Brewery, LLC dba Pioneer Valley Brewery, Christopher Fontaine as Manager for a §12 General On-Premises, Farmers Series Pouring Permit (Malt Beverages Only) License, 151 Third Street, Turners Falls.

Seconded by Nelson, unanimously approved. Boutwell - Aye, Nelson - Aye, Kuklewicz - Aye

St. Kazimierz Society, 197 Avenue A, Turners Falls

Change of Manger for Annual On-Premise, Section 12, All Alcohol Beverages Liquor License

Boutwell makes the motion to approve the Change of Manger for St. Kazimierz Society, 197 Avenue A, Turners Falls. Seconded by Nelson, unanimously approved. Boutwell - Aye, Nelson - Aye, Kuklewicz - Aye

Tom Bergeron, DPW Superintendent

Update on Millers Falls Road Embankment Repair

EJ Prescott put 240 feet of plastic pipe in the embankment. The pipe is connected to the catch basin at the top of the hill. Tomorrow more backfilling will be done to secure the pipe.

COVID-19 Updates and Action Items

Review of any Updated State Guidance or Orders

- The Governor and DPH are urging Massachusetts residents to get the flu vaccine.
- The Board of Health will be instituting a flu vaccine clinic in October through December. The clinics are predominantly for Town employees, Gill-Montague students, and the general public.

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- Regarding the travel order, Wyoming has been removed from the lower-risk states.

Joint Selectboard and BOH Meetings (not on agenda)

- Cummings feels that we can discontinue joint meetings for now.
- Kuklewicz would like to continue updates.
- Nelson suggests keeping updates on the agenda and skipping it when there is nothing to report.

Boutwell makes the motion to adjourn the Board of Health. Seconded by Nelson, unanimously approved. Boutwell - Aye, Nelson - Aye, Cummings - Aye

Pole Location Hearing

Eversource is requesting 3 new solely-owned poles, one new solely-owned pushbrace and one new solely-owned anchor along Pine St., Montague off Letourneau Way and Elm St. Eversource and Verizon are requesting one new jointly-owned pole 63/1, aligning with the other new Eversource poles

Boutwell makes the motion to approve the request from Eversource to install 3 new solely-owned poles, one new solely-owned pushbrace and one new solely-owned anchor along Pine St., Montague off Letourneau Way and Elm St.; and the request from Eversource and Verizon to install one new jointly-owned pole 63/1, aligning with the other new Eversource poles.

Seconded by Nelson, unanimously approved. Boutwell - Aye, Nelson - Aye, Cummings - Aye

Pole Location Hearing

Eversource is requesting permission to install 5 solely-owned midspan poles along Lake Pleasant Road

Boutwell makes the motion to approve the request from Eversource to install 5 solely-owned midspan poles along Lake Pleasant Road. Seconded by Nelson, unanimously approved.

Boutwell - Aye, Nelson - Aye, Cummings - Aye

Proposed MOA Relative to Participation in the new 800 MHz Franklin County Emergency Communication System for Public Safety Services

- Williams states that we are going to merge onto the State Police 800 MHz system.
- There is a grant that is providing handheld radios for us. Williams will be applying for a grant to cover better radios as well as installation costs.
- The only unknown costs are our base units. Williams will obtain a figure.
- There is no fee currently, but there is language in the MOUs that covers that.
- We need to continue paying our fees to the FRCOG system.
- There will be a 3-5 year transition involved.
- Zellman will be bringing this issue to his board. He needs to figure out what it is going to cost to move forward.
- Ellis shares that there will be some cost savings with the higher quality radios.
- *Boutwell makes the motion to authorize the Chair to sign the MOU relative to participation in the new 800 MHz Franklin County Emergency Communication System for Public Safety*

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Services. Seconded by Nelson, unanimously approved. Boutwell - Aye, Nelson - Aye, Kuklewicz - Aye

Brian McHugh, Director of Community Development, FCRHRA

Authorization to approve pay requisition #8 in the amount of \$3,500 to Berkshire Design Group for the Spinner Park Restoration Project funded by the Town's FY19 Community Development Block Grant

Boutwell makes the motion to authorize pay requisition #8 in the amount of \$3,500 to Berkshire Design Group for Invoice 2019-135-10 for the Spinner Park Restoration Project funded by the Town's FY19 Community Development Block Grant. Seconded by Nelson, unanimously approved. Boutwell - Aye, Nelson - Aye, Kuklewicz - Aye

Review in-process & planned CARES Act Projects

- Ellis reports that he has been having interactions with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Federal Funds Agent to make certain that some of our projects meet all of their guidelines.
- Ellis and the department heads are trying to be very thoughtful in how to use the CARES Act dollars.
- Among the projects are:
 - a multi-purpose space off of the rear entrance in Town Hall
 - improvements in the Water Pollutions Control Facility, specifically establishing network and telecommunications between the operations and administration offices
 - improvement of wifi service in Carnegie Library
 - airflow improvement in the Carnegie Library, as well as other locations
 - acquisition of heavier-duty sanitizing equipment

Town Administrator's Report

- **Eversource Planned outages in Montague**
There will be some planned power outages in Montague on Saturday, October 3, between midnight and 6:00 AM. All impacted customers will be notified three times prior to the outages.
- **Police Advisory Review Group Update**
The Police Advisory Review Groups will be having a virtual meeting tomorrow evening. The meeting will start with a swearing-in and a review of the open meeting laws.
- **Execute FY2021 Engineering Agreement Landfill Monitoring Service**
Boutwell makes the motion to execute the FY2021 Engineering Agreement Landfill Monitoring Service. Seconded by Nelson, unanimously approved. Boutwell - Aye, Nelson - Aye, Kuklewicz - Aye
- **Topics not anticipated in 48 hour posting/Public Hearing**
The 2nd Farren Care Center public hearing will take place on September 30th.

Executive Session in accordance with G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(6), to consider the possible purchase, exchange, taking, lease or value of real property - First Light Power, votes may be taken

- The Chair deems that holding this discussion in open session would be detrimental to the Town's bargaining position.
- *Boutwell makes the motion to go into Executive Session in accordance with G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(6), to consider the possible purchase, exchange, taking, lease or value of real*

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Documents and Exhibits:

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